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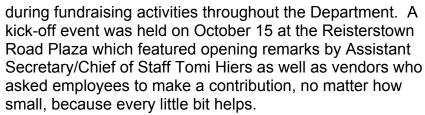
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PUBLIC SAFETY "GOES FOR GOLD" DURING THE 2008 MARYLAND CHARITY CAMPAIGN

TOWSON, MD (October 16, 2008) -- For more than 11,500 employees of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) making a difference in Maryland is a daily objective. But this time of year, the dedicated professionals of the Department go above and beyond to make an even greater impact by contributing to hundreds of charities across Maryland through the Maryland Charity Campaign, an initiative chaired by Governor Martin O'Malley and Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown.

DPSCS has a goal of \$300,000 to be raised through yearlong voluntary paycheck contributions from employees and

various one-time donations



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"During these rough economic times, we at DPSCS are thankful to have a job, a pay check to rely on," stated Hiers. "Those less fortunate however are in need of your support. Your contributions can mean a world of difference to someone in need of a meal, shelter, emergency services, and other basic needs."